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Art Unit	2854
Examiner Name	Daniel James Colilla
Attorney Docket Number	11286-01144

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

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- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Norman Yamamoto and Jay K. Sato

Serial No. 10/066,303

Filed: January 30, 2002

For: **ASSEMBLY AND METHOD FOR CUSTOMIZED  
APPLICATION OF INDEX TABS TO INDEXING  
MATERIAL**

Group Art Unit: 2854

Examiner: Daniel James Colilla

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### AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated June 7, 2004, having a shortened three-month response period, for which an RCE is filed herewith and for which an additional response extension month is petitioned herewith, please amend the above-captioned application as indicated below.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 25 of this paper.